ശ്രീ. പി. എം. വർഗ്ഗീസ്: ആവർഷം എന്നവച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതു് മുന്നവർഷമായി കഴിക്കാൻ സാധിക്കയില്ലേ?

Sri. E. John Philipose: Not necessary.

BUS STOP

*980. [21] **Sri. N. V. Chacko:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture be pleased to state: whether he received any, application from the public of Vadayampady in the Aikkaranad kara for having a bus stop at the junction where the Perumpavoor-Puthenkurisu road meets the Muvattupuzha-Ernakulam road near the 10th mile (Patham mile)?

Sri E. John Philipose: Yes; after necessary enquiries the request of the public was granted by declaring Vadayampady a stop for all departmental buses plying in the above line.

ശ്രീ. എൻ. വി. ചാക്കോ: അനുകൂലമായിട്ടു് ഗവണ്മെന്റിൽനിന്നും ഉത്തരവു് പാസാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നാണോ പറഞ്ഞതു്?

Sri. E. John Philipose: Yes.

ROAD IN ERNAKULAM

*981. [22] **Sri. N. V. Chacko:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture be pleased state.—

(*a*) by what time the new seventy-feet road in Ernakulam be completed; and

(*b*) whether it will be tarred or similarly treated, and if so by what time?

Sri. E. John Philipose:

(*a*) This cannot be stated definitely now.

(*b*) This will be considered after the road has been completed.

ശ്രീ. എൻ. വി. ചാക്കോ: ഈ റോഡു് ഇക്കൊല്ലംതന്നെ പൂർത്തിയാക്കുകയില്ലെ?

Sri. E. John Philipose: It is almost definite that it would be completed within two years; but whether it would be completed this year is not definite.

Sri. P. K. Dewer: May I know whether the road will be completed soon?

Sri. E. John Philipose: It is not possible to make any definite statement as far as that is concerned. It will be possible to complete that within two years.

Sri. P. K. Dewer: May I know whether Government have not given a time to the contractors by which the road ought to be completed?

Sri. E. John Philipose: I will look into the case. There have been many such cases.

Sri. R. K. Ram: I request the permission of the Chair to put Question No. 23.

Mr. Speaker: Yes.

BUSES PLYING BETWEEN TRIVANDRUM AND NAGERCOIL

*982. [23] **Sri. R. Chellaswami Nadar:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of buses plying between Trivandrum and Nagercoil; and

(*b*) whether the Government are aware of the difficulties experienced by the travelling public owing to want of sufficient buses?

Sri. E. John Philipose:

(*a*) 17 ordinary buses; 3 express buses and 1 express coach are running in the Trivandrum-Cape Comorin road; and 8 Shuttle buses are operating in this line.

(*b*) Government is aware of the difficulties and steps are being taken to eliminate these difficulties. As I have stated before in this House, Government hope that before June these difficulties would be considerably minimised and the passenger traffic, as far as transport buses are concerned, will get better facilities.

Sri. Gabriel Nadar: It is stated that 17 ordinary buses are plying in the Trivandrum-Cape route. Do they include shuttle buses?

Sri. E. John Philipose: That number does not include the shuttle services. I have stated that 8 separate shuttle buses are operating in that line.

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